

# Desert Sands Charter High School

## Regular Board Meeting

Operated by Desert Sands Public Charter, Inc., A California NonProfit Public Benefit Corporation

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### Date and Time

Tuesday December 9, 2025 at 3:30 PM PST

### Location

**Meeting Location:** 177 Holston Drive, Lancaster, CA 93535

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### REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION WILL BE PROVIDED FOR ANY INDIVIDUAL WITH A DISABILITY

Please see the "Accommodations" notice below.

### REMINDER

As required by state law (SB 126), this meeting will be audio recorded and posted on the charter school's website.

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Agenda

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
I.	Opening Items		3:30 PM
	Opening Items		
A.	Call the Meeting to Order	Michael R Adams	
B.	Roll Call and Establishment of Quorum	Michael R Adams	
	Members of the Board Roll Call and Establishment of Quorum		
	Michael R. Adams, Board President		
	Ruth Escarcega Newell, Board Secretary		
	Marvin D. Smith, Board Member		
	Dana Clark, Board Member		
	James Lott, Board Member		
	Learning Centers Roll Call:		
	44130 20th Street West, Lancaster, CA 93534		
	16921 E. Avenue O, Suite H, Lake Los Angeles, CA 93591		
C.	Pledge of Allegiance	Michael R Adams	
D.	Staff Introductions	Michael R Adams	
	At this time, staff members will be invited to state their names and titles.		
E.	Approve Agenda for the December 9, 2025, Regular Public Meeting of the Board of Directors	Vote Michael R Adams	
F.	Approve Minutes of the September 4, 2025, Regular Public Meeting of the Board of Directors	Approve Minutes Michael R Adams	

II. Consent Agenda

All items listed under consent agenda are considered by the Board to be routine and consistent with approved policies and practices of the Charter School. The Board will be asked to approve all of the consent agenda items by a single vote unless requested by a Board member to be discussed and considered for action separately.

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
<b>A.</b> Consent Agenda Items	Vote	Michael R Adams	

1. The Board will be asked to approve the revised Board Policies on Protections for Students relating to Immigration and Citizenship Status
2. The Board will be asked to approve the revised School Safety Plan
3. The Board will be asked to approve the E-Rate vendor selections
4. The Board will be asked to approve the Policy on Referral Protocols for Addressing Student Behavioral Health Concerns

### III. Public Comment

*At this time, members of the public may address the Board on any item within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board, whether or not the item is on the agenda. The time allotted per presentation will not exceed three (3) minutes, unless a member of the public utilizes a translator, in which case the time allotted will not exceed six (6) minutes. In accordance with the Brown Act, no action may occur at this time, but it is the Board's prerogative to hold a brief discussion, provide information to the public, provide direction to staff, or schedule the matter for a future meeting.*

<b>A.</b> Public Comment	FYI	Michael R Adams
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### IV. School Reports and Information

<b>A.</b> Finance Update	FYI	Guita Sharifi
<b>B.</b> Area Superintendent Update	FYI	Victor Nardiello
<b>C.</b> Principal Update	FYI	Jenny Bonilla
<b>D.</b> Mid-Year 2025-26 LCAP Monitoring Report with Learning Recovery Emergency Block Grant Action Update	FYI	Alex Morris
<b>E.</b> Vendor List	FYI	Victor Nardiello

### V. Action Items

<b>A.</b> The Board will be asked to approve the June 30, 2025, Annual Audit Report for the school	Vote	Guita Sharifi
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<b>B.</b> The Board will be asked to approve the revised Committed Funds Plan for the school	Vote	Victor Nardiello	
<b>C.</b> The Board will be asked to approve the 2025-2026 First Interim Report	Vote	Guita Sharifi	
<b>D.</b> The Board will be asked to review and approve Wilkinson, Hadley & King & Co., LLP to prepare the school's 2024 Form 990, Return of Organization Exempt from Income Tax and any other related tax forms	Vote	Guita Sharifi	

## **VI. Additional Corporate Officers and Board Members' Observations and Comments**

<b>A.</b> Observations and Comments	FYI	Michael R Adams
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## **VII. Closed Session**

<b>A.</b> Adjourn open public Board meeting to go into closed session	Vote	Michael R Adams
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1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL—EXISTING LITIGATION  
(Government Code section 54956.9(d)(1).)

Name of Case: OAH Case Number: 2025080834

2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL—EXISTING LITIGATION  
(Government Code section 54956.9(d)(1).)

Name of Case: Selena Villegas vs. Desert Sands Public Charter, Inc. et al.

Los Angeles Superior Court Case Number: 22STCV24453

3. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION  
(Government Code section 54957(b)(1).)

Title: Superintendent

<b>B.</b> Adjourn closed session and reconvene to open public Board meeting	Vote	Michael R Adams
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<b>C.</b> Report of action taken or recommendations made in closed session, if any	FYI	Michael R Adams
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## **VIII. Closing Items**

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
<b>A.</b> Next Regular Board Meeting Date: March 3, 2026, 3:30pm	FYI	Michael R Adams	
<b>B.</b> Adjourn Meeting	Vote	Michael R Adams	

**Accommodations.** All meetings of the Board of Directors are held in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. Requests for disability-related modifications or accommodations, or translation services, in order to enable all individuals to participate in the Charter School's open and public meetings shall be made by contacting Soliman Villapando at (661) 272-1225 at least twenty four (24) hours before the scheduled meeting.

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